HARMONY DAY 15TH MARCH
Harmony Day is being held on Friday, 15th March. The students are able to wear something orange on the day as a way of celebrating our cultural diversity. Teachers will be completing a series of activities with their classes and sharing stories, via video links, of people from different nationalities. If there are community members who wish to share their story with the students you are encouraged to contact the class teacher or Mrs Patterson for further information.

SCHOOL DISCO—HUGE THANK YOU
The P&C run School Disco was held on Thursday night. It was a huge success with ALL profits going to the school. A huge thank you to all the staff, parents/carers, and of course Mr Roulston as DJ, for so kindly donating their time to ensure that the night was so enjoyable and profitable.

LOCAL AECG MEETING—THURSDAY 21ST MARCH
The Muloombinba AECG meeting will be held at Glendore PS on Thursday, 21st March at 5pm in the staffroom. Individual invitations have been sent out to our Aboriginal families and we would love you to join in with this meeting. Mrs Patterson has offered to look after children who may require care in her classroom, or they are welcome to attend the meeting.

DISABLED PARKING—CONSIDERATION REQUESTED
Please be considerate of others and do not park in, or obstruct, the disabled parking space. This space is used by a special taxi service every morning and afternoon to support one of our students attending this school. If you require the use of this space, due to a mobility issue, please let the front office know so they can provide you with a parking permit, identifying that you have permission to use this space.

CPR AND EMERGENCY CARE TRAINING—ANYONE QUALIFIED?
As part of the requirements of the DEC, staff are to be trained each year in CPR and every three years review the Emergency Care Training. We have done our training this year but at a cost of $30 per person for almost 40 people it is extremely costly to the school. If you are, or you know someone who is, qualified to do the training and may be happy to provide this service at a nominal cost early next year we would be most grateful. Please let the office staff know and Ms Baguley will follow this up.

GRANT FOR THE SCHOOL—TELSTRA EMPLOYEES
Telstra is offering for its employees to apply for a grant of a couple of thousand dollars, which could include a local school. If you are a Telstra employee, or know of someone who is, then it would be well appreciated if you could make enquiries about the grant. Ms Baguley has some information about the grant if you require a starting point. It closes at the end of March.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
The school photos will be taken on Friday 22nd March. Envelopes for orders have been sent home today but they are not to be returned until the day of the photos. Make sure you check your envelope as there will be 12 lucky families to receive a $20 voucher for the photos.
LATE ARRIVALS
Children are still arriving late. By the time they are signed in and arrive in class late vital learning time is lost. If a child arrives 15 minutes late each morning for a week there is over an hour a week that the child is missing out on. This equates to 52.5 hours a year, or twelve and a half days a year, or two and a half weeks of learning time!

PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE (PRC)
The book lists can be found on the Challenge website. www.schools.nsw.edu.au/premiersreadingchallenge

EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS
The P&C are requesting donations of Easter eggs, baskets and other Easter goodies to use as part of their Easter Raffle. The raffle will take place earlier than usual this year, on Friday 22nd March, due to Life Education and Dance commitments.

P&C
The next P&C meeting is the AGM on Tuesday 19th March, after the General Business Meeting at 7pm. During this time elections will be held for the Office Bearer positions. Under the guidelines of the Constitution and By-Laws no person shall serve more than two terms in the same executive office. If the position is not filled, as was the Canteen Supervisor position, it may be refilled until the next general meeting. This means that we are now in need of a volunteer Canteen Supervisor. If you are interested please make an application to the P&C. The outline of the application is later in this newsletter.

Getting Involved
Do you want to be involved in the future of your child’s school? Come along to a P&C (Parents and Citizens) meeting to find out what it’s really about!

The main objectives of the P&C are to promote friendship within the school community, to raise funds for resources and facilities and to support our school’s staff in their efforts to enhance learning opportunities for our children. While anyone is welcome to attend P&C meetings, the main benefit of membership is the right to vote on issues that arise at meetings. Of course, people can only be elected to the P&C Executive Committee or its subcommittees (Fundraising and Canteen) if they are registered members.

All positions will be available at our next P&C AGM on Tuesday 19th March. Applications for membership can be submitted at the Annual General Meeting with payment of $2 and applicants do not need to be present for their application to be approved. The Executive of the P&C strongly advises that you submit your application for approval at the AGM so that you are able to have a vote on any issue that concerns you.

To become a member please complete the application form attached with payment of $2 and return at the next meeting or leave it in the P&C box in the foyer of the office. At the AGM all positions will be declared vacant. Below is an overview of the expectations for each of the positions. The volunteer canteen supervisor position will also be available.

PRESIDENT
The president is responsible for the successful functioning of the P&C Association. He/she will ensure that the P&C Association takes part in the decision-making processes in the school and fosters fair participation of all members. He/she will ensure that all new members are made to feel welcome, support volunteers, ensure adherence to the constitution and will act as the P&C Association’s spokesperson when public statements or actions are needed. The President will also set up lines of communication with the Principal, be a signatory on the Association’s bank accounts and chair meetings.

SECRETARY
The Secretary is responsible for carrying out the administrative tasks. The Secretary prepares, in consultation with the President, all meeting agendas. He/she is required to attend every association meeting and take notes of the discussions in order to produce a set of minutes for subsequent distribution to members. This position also includes receiving and tabling all correspondence, as well as writing and dispatching outgoing correspondence as resolved/appropriate. The Secretary also issues notice of all meetings and maintains official records of the P&C Association such as the constitution, by-laws, rules of subcommittees, Incorporation Certificate, ABN details, list of financial (voting) members, minutes and the attendance book.

TREASURER
Whilst all P&C members must be mindful of complying with financial accountability requirements, this is the Treasurer’s primary responsibility. The Treasurer receives and deposits monies, maintains records, draws cheques and presents accounts. The Treasurer presents a report in the form of an income and expenditure statement together with a reconciled bank statement for each and every P&C meeting. The Treasurer also ensures that all funds held and handled by P&C are properly and openly accounted for as the Treasurer is responsible for all funds held in the name of the P&C. This includes the canteen and any other P&C committee. This does not mean that the Treasurer must undertake the actual bookkeeping themselves but they must ensure that the various sub-committee financial records have been kept to the Treasurer’s satisfaction. The Treasurer is a signatory on the P&C accounts. The Treasurer must ensure a case book or books are kept, recording all financial transactions of the P&C Association.
ASSEMBLY AWARDS MONDAY 4TH MARCH

Congratulations to:

3/4D     Victoria B, Milos O, Croydon W, Emma M.
3/4K     Riley B, Olivia M, Braith S, Charlotte B.
3/4P     Jessica B, Max M, Abbey T, Ryan D.
4/5H     Taleisha C, Olivia M, Lana D, Bianca B.
5/6D     MadysonT, Angus S, Blade T, Nick S.
5/6N     Luke B, Emily T, Tehleah G, Brodie F.
5/6P     Alexis P, Chris C, Nathan H, Cody P.
5/6R     Tara D, Justine S, Georgia H, Ethan M.

Winner of the Ralston Cup this assembly

5/6D

Assembly Dates

Time: 1.50pm for both assemblies
Kinder – Yr2  Friday, 8th March (KW performing)
Yr 3-Yr6  Monday, 18th March

Be the best parent you can be with Triple P – Positive Parenting Program®
Triple P is a parenting program for all families that provides practical answers to everyday parenting concerns.
Families NSW is offering Triple P to all families with children aged 3-8 years. For more information visit www.families.nsw.gov.au
Please note that bookings ARE ESSENTIAL so that we can keep course sizes manageable. To find out more or to book into a course please contact Robbie King, Maryland Child & Family Worker Ph: 49559696
Course: Triple P Seminar Series
3 weekly sessions
Friday 10th, 17th & 24th May 2013
Time: 9.00 am - 11.00
Where Glendore Public School, Maryland

Information for Parents and Carers
Interested in Time banking?

Timebanking is a community program that allows the voluntary exchange of services between members. This great initiative being run by the Volunteering Unit in the Office of Communities would like to chat to Mums and Dads about the project. P&C Federation is keen to support this discussion, and as such Wallsend Public School has kindly offered to host a focus group.

When: Wednesday 6th March
Where: Wallsend Public School
Cnr Metcalfe and Martindale Streets  Wallsend.
Venue: School Library Time:1.15pm – 3.00pm

You are warmly invited to attend and have a chat to the project providers about why you do or might volunteer your time and what services you might like to exchange, I vote for ironing! Hope to see you there.
Volunteering Unit of Office of Communities.

CANTEEN NEWS
A big thank you to those who volunteered on the Canteen for the disco last week. We really appreciated your time.
A reminder that there will be a Canteen Meeting in the meeting rooms from 12pm this Thursday 7th March. If you have any ideas of healthy food options or would just like to join a great team, come and join us. If you are unable to make it and you have some ideas for the canteen, including recipes and other school menus, please drop them into the P&C box. All are welcome to attend.
There are currently several Mondays and Tuesdays in March and April where we have inadequate volunteers to allow the Canteen to open. If you are able to assist it would be appreciated if you could fill out the slip in the newsletter and return it to the office URGENTLY.
The following items are now available for purchase:
Bags of FROZEN Seedless Grapes @ 50 cents
FRESH Traffic Light Fruit Sticks (pineapple, grape, watermelon and strawberry) @ 50 cents.
There will be a Canteen Meeting on Thursday 7th March, midday, in the meeting room at the front of the school hall. All are welcome to attend.
Could all Canteen volunteers please arrive at the Canteen at 8.15 am on their rostered day to open up and allow children to place orders. The Canteen cannot open until 2 workers are present. Thank you for your consideration with this important matter.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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GLENDORE PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

Application for Membership of the P&C Association for 2013

Name: __________________________________ Phone: ________________________________

Address:___________________________________________________________________________________

I wish to become a member of the P&C Association. (Please circle)

Parent  Staff Member  Interested Citizen

Signature:____________________________________ Date of Application: ____________________________

APPROVAL DETAILS

Date Membership Approved:____________________ Receipt No: ___________________________

Name of P&C Secretary: ___________________________ Signature: ________________________________

Glendore PS Snack Shack requires an efficient, enthusiastic canteen manager to work in our school canteen.

To be considered you must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrated understanding of healthy eating
- Demonstrated ability to prepare, cook and promote healthy foods
- Demonstrated ability to work as a team member as well as supervise others
- Demonstrated time management skills and ability to control day-to-day operations of a school canteen
- Experience with volunteers and/or parent groups
- Knowledge of basic financial management
- Knowledge of the Fresh Tastes @ School NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy
- Understanding of OH&S principles
- Interest in food preparation, nutrition and children

Qualifications in the Fresh Tastes @ School Strategy, Canteen Operations and/or Food Safety and Hygiene will be highly regarded.

It is a requirement of employment that a Prohibited Employment Declaration and Consent to Employment Screening checks will be completed.